CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE PUBLIC WORK SESSION MARCH 11, 2015

WILLIAM A. BRIGGS BUILDING (REED CONFERENCE ROOM)
845 PARK AVENUE, CRANSTON, RI
EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC WORK SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order- 6:00 p.m. Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws -
- 2. PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel:
- A. Discussion of Certified Administrator A
- 3. PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining/Litigation:
- A. Potential litigation/grievance Legal advice
- 4. PL 42-46-5(3)
- A. District Safety Plan
- 5. Call to Order Public Session
- 6. Roll Call Quorum

- 7. Executive Session Minutes Sealed March 11, 2015
- 8. Adjourn to Public Work Session
- a. Discussion on donation from Alan Shawn Feinstein EdgewoodHighland School Marlene Gamba
- b. Discussion on donation from Alan Shawn Feinstein Hugh B. BainMiddle School Jenny Chan-Remka
- c. Comprehensive Assessment System (CAS) Joseph Rotz
- d. Update on Food Service RFP Joseph Balducci
- e. Discussion of West Bay Health Joseph Balducci
- f. Discussion on revision to Student Retention Policy Jeannine Nota-Masse
- g. Discussion of new Registration packet Jeannine Nota-Masse
- h. Physical Therapy Services Agreement Michele Simpson
- i. Discussion of waiver from RIDE for two snow days Judith Lundsten
- j. Discussion of waiver from RIDE for one school day for Orchard Farms Judith Lundsten
- k. Discussion of wavier from RIDE for one school day for Cranston High School West and Cranston Area Career & Technical Center Judith Lundsten.
- I. Discussion of calendar survey results

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting

are asked to notify the Chairperson in advance.

Any changes in the agenda pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(e) will be posted on the school district's website at www.cpsed.net, Cranston Public Schools' administration building, 845 Park Ave., Cranston, RI; and Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI and will be electronically filed with the Secretary of State at least forty-eight hours (48) in advance of the meeting.

Notice posted: March 8, 2015

POLICY #5149
STUDENT RETENTION POLICY
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Any student who does not successfully complete the requirements of their current grade may be retained. The decision for retention will be made by the school administration, in collaboration with the child's teacher(s). All appropriate data, including, but not limited to, assessments, attendance records, etc. will be reviewed before making this decision. While parents will be informed of this process, the ultimate decision for retention will be made by the school principal.

Warning:

Parents/Guardians will be notified in writing by the end of the third

quarter (on or about April 1st) if there is a chance that their child may be retained in their current grade for the next school year. Students who enroll after the second quarter, retention will be made on a case by case basis.

A final decision will be made on or about May 5th. Parents will be notified of the final decision by email and certified letter.

If a parent disagrees with the decision to retain or not to retain a student, the parent may appeal the decision in accordance with the following:

Retention Decision Appeal Process

- 1. The parents or guardians shall be informed in writing of the principal's decision for retention.
- 2. If the parents or guardians want to appeal the principal's decision they must do so in writing, within 10 school days of receiving the principal's letter, to the superintendent or designee.
- 3. The parents or guardians shall be informed by written notice, in their dominant language, of a due process hearing with the superintendent or designee.
- 4. All parties involved may be represented by legal counsel.
- 5. The parties will be given an opportunity to present their reasons why they recommend or do not recommend retention of the student.
- 6. The hearing will be conducted by the superintendent or designee

who shall make a determination based on evidence presented at the hearing.

- 7. The superintendent or designee will provide within 10 school days, a written decision to all parties, as to whether the student shall be retained.
- 8. The decision of the superintendent or designee will be translated to the dominant language of the parents or guardian and sent to the parents or guardians.
- 9. Parents may appeal the decision of the superintendent or designee to the Chairperson of the School Committee.

First Reading: December 8, 2014 CRANSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Resolution No: 14-12-19 CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND

Second Reading: January 20, 2015

Resolution No. 15-01-19